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Applicant : Robert M. Brustowicz  
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For : "ON-DEMAND NEEDLE RETAINING AND LOCKING  
MECHANISM FOR USE IN INTRAVENOUS  
CATHETER ASSEMBLIES"  
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